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ALEXANDRIA, VIRGINIA, THURSDAY, JANUARY 22, 1914.

WEATHER REPORT.

Fair tonight and Friday; light winds.
High Tides: 4:32 A. M., and 4:58 P. M.

PRICE, 2 CENTS

KELLY NOMINATED BY JOINT CAUCUS

Southwest Man to Succeed
Judge Buchanan on Su-
preme Bench.

LAWLESS RETIRES.

Charles W. Coleman Unanimous
Choice of Caucus For Circuit Judge
of Norfolk County.

Richmond, Jan. 22.—Judge Joseph L. Kelly, of the Corporation Court of Bristol, was nominated by a joint Democratic caucus of the General Assembly early this morning for a seat on the Supreme Bench of Virginia for a term of twelve years, beginning February 1, 1915. Judge Kelly will succeed Judge John A. Buchanan, of Washington, county, who has announced his purpose to retire at the end of the present term. The nomination was made after an all-night session, on the thirteenth ballot, the field finally narrowing down to Judge Kelly and Judge Jesse F. West, of Waverly, Sussex county. The final vote was, Kelly, 68; West, 55.

Others put in nominate during the night were E. M. Fulton, of Wise; Judge William E. Burns, of Russell county; Judge B. F. Hutton, of Abingdon; Judge Frederick W. Sims, of Louisa, and Judge Walter R. Staples, of Roanoke. The West forces held together gamely on every ballot, but gained little when the Southwest candidates were dropped.

Judge Kelly was born in Smyth county on March 4, 1867, and is a graduate of Emory and Henry and of the University of Virginia. He was for some time law partner of former Attorney General Rufus A. Ayres, and was later in partnership with Joshua F. Bullitt. He has had a distinguished career both in the practice of law and on the bench.

The retirement of Judge Joseph T. Lawless early yesterday from the contest for re-election as judge of the First Circuit left the field clear for Charles W. Coleman, who was nominated by Delegate Duke and Senator Montague, of Norfolk county, and was chosen unanimously for the judgeship now held by Judge Lawless. Judge Coleman will assume his new office on February 1, 1914.

Nominations were made without opposition in the following cases:

For Commissioner of Insurance—Joseph Button.

Judge, First Circuit—Charles W. Coleman.

Fifth Circuit—George J. Hundley.

Ninth Circuit—George S. Shackelford.

Fifteenth Circuit—Claggett B. Jones.

Seventeenth Circuit—Thomas W. Harrison.

Twenty-first Circuit—A. A. Campbell.

Eighth Circuit—John W. Fishburne.

Hustings Court, Richmond—D. C. Richardson.

Chancery Court, Richmond—William A. Moncreur.

Corporation Court, Radford—R. L. Gardner.

Twenty-fifth Circuit—T. N. Haas.

Twenty-sixth Circuit—E. S. Turner.

Twenty-seventh Circuit—William E. Burns.

Twenty-eighth Circuit—B. D. White.

Twenty-ninth Circuit—Bennett T. Gordon.

Law and Equity Court, Richmond—Beverly T. Crump.

Law and Chancery Court, Norfolk—William Bruce Martin.

Corporation Court, Lynchburg—Frank P. Christian.

Corporation Court, Petersburg—J. M. Mullen.

Corporation Court, Fredericksburg—John T. Goolrich.

For the Supreme Court to succeed Judge John A. Buchanan for a term of twelve years from February 1, 1915. There were 12 ballots as follows:

1st. Judge Fulton, 1; Judge Burns, 5; Judge Hutton, 18; Judge Kelly, 22; Judge Sims, 26; Judge Staples, 16; Judge West, 38.

2nd. Burns, 3; Hutton, 16; Kelly,

21; Sims, 28; Staples, 17; West, 38.
3rd. Hutton, 22; Kelly, 20; Sims, 24; Staples, 20; West, 36.
5th. Hutton, 27; Kelly, 30; Sims, 26; West, 42.
6th. Hutton, 26; Kelly, 34; West, 42; Staples, 24.
7th. Hutton, 27; Kelly, 33; Sims, 28; West, 37.
8th. Sims, 27; Kelly, 47; West, 46; Fulton, 5.
9th. Burns, 5; Hutton, 24; Kelly, 31; Sims, 26; West, 37.
10th. Hutton, 23; Kelly, 35; Sims, 29; West, 38.
11th. Kelly, 47; Sims, 30; West, 47.
12th. Kelly, 50; West, 53; Staples, 21.

It was evident that the fight had to be finally between Kelly and West—the far Southwest and the Tidewater Section, and the thirteenth ballot was between those two, resulting as follows:

For Judge Kelly 68; for Judge West, 55.

Sensors Thornton, Moncuse, and Fletcher, with Delegates Birrell and Oliver, supported Judge Sims at first, and on the last ballots voted for Judge Kelly.

NEW TAX PLAN.

Sensors West and Holt Introduced
New Bill on Rolling Stock.

Richmond, Va., Jan. 21.—In a new rolling stock bill introduced yesterday by Senators Holt and West, the patrons of the measure seek to avoid the constitutional bars upon which the law passed by the last General Assembly appears to have foundered, and at the same time to assure the division of the income from this source on a pro-rata basis among the counties through which the various railroads pass.

The rolling stock bill was the center of a strong fight at the last session of the Legislature and bids fair, even in the new form, to call out much debate. The law at present on the statute books requires the State Corporation Commission to distribute the income from the rolling stock tax on the basis of 25 per cent to the headquarters cities, and 75 per cent to the counties in which the railroads are located.

An attack was made on the bill by the cities which had collected the full amount of the tax prior to the passage of the act which required its division. It was held unconstitutional by the State Corporation Commission. An appeal was taken to the State Supreme Court, where the case is now pending.

Under the new bill which is proposed by Senators West and Holt, the cities are deprived of even the 25 per cent allotment made to them in the act of 1912. They are given the share of the tax to which they are entitled on the basis upon which distribution is made to the counties, and no more.

The West-Holt bill requires the State Corporation Commission to apportion the rolling stock to each city, town and county for the purpose of local taxation in the proportion that the total assessed value of the right of way, roadbed and tracks of the railroads traversing and located in such cities or counties, bears to the assessed value of all such property to the various railroad corporations.

Thus apportioned, the act provides for the rolling stock shall be held for the purposes of local taxation, to be situated in the several cities and counties and shall become taxable therein in the same manner as the physical property to the railroads is now assessed and taxed. The railroads are required to pay over such taxes to the local treasurers and collectors.

Edward Beardsley, the Chataqua county, N. Y., outlaw farmer, who has for over a week defied the efforts of Sheriff Anderson and a posse to arrest him, gave himself up to Deputy Sheriff Backus at 4 o'clock yesterday morning and was locked up in jail there.

Crushed by a heavy automobile coal truck which passed over his lower limbs, Joseph J. Minson, Jr., seven years old, of 2023 I street northwest, Washington, was instantly killed yesterday afternoon at Twenty-fifth and M streets northwest. The boy was riding a tricycle in the street when the accident occurred. The truck, owned by the Allegheny Coal Company, contained two tons of coal, and was driven by Edward Smith, colored. Smith was arrested and detained at the Third police precinct.

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MODERN EVILS SCORED BY TAFT

Ex-President Blames Demagogues For Social and Industrial Unrest.

USE OF MONOPOLIES.

School Graduates Hear Characteristic Address of Former President on Current Topics.

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RETURNS PAPERS.

Documents Taken From Fairfax Court Restored by E. P. Eggleston.

The will of Hannah Washington, along with two other documents taken from Fairfax Courthouse during the Civil War, and which were in the possession of E. P. Eggleston, of New London, Conn., are now in the possession of the clerk of Fairfax county.

Senator R. E. Thornton, who has been interested in the matter of recovering the property, has received a letter from Mr. Eggleston to this effect.

The wills were taken during the war and found their way, by purchase, to the collection of manuscripts and curios of Mr. Eggleston. He learned of the fact that the papers belonged to Fairfax and at once wrote to Senator Thornton, offering to return the documents where they belong.

Senator Thornton is writing a letter to Mr. Eggleston expressing appreciation at his act and thanking him for his kindness.

BILLS IN STATE SENATE.

Mr. Thornton has introduced the following bills in the State Senate:

A bill to amend and re-enact section 164 of the Code of Virginia of 1904, as amended by acts approved March 14, 1908, and March 17, 1910; which was taken up and referred to the committee for courts of justice.

\$12,000 FIRE DAMAGE.

Two large barns on the dairy farm of Corbin Thompson at Occoquan, were destroyed by a fire which commenced at 3:30 o'clock this morning. Several car loads of feed and two fine horses were destroyed. The loss is estimated at \$12,000, partly covered by insurance.

BANQUET TO CLARK GRIFFITH.

Many of the leading citizens of Alexandria will join the Cardinal Athletic Club tonight in doing honor to Clark Griffith, manager of the Washington baseball club by attending the banquet which the Cardinals will hold to the National's pilot at the Hotel Rammel. This will be the second banquet given Griffith by the local club, the first one a year ago having proven a great success and greatly enjoyed by all those who attended. Sylvester A. Breen, of the Cardinals, will preside and introduce Mayor Thomas A. Fisher who will act as toastmaster. A number of surprises are said to be on tonight's programme, which, according to the committee, will assure an evening of great enjoyment.

ECHO OF ALLEN CASE.

Supporters of Staples Tell of Opposition Because He Presided At Trials.

Richmond, Va., Jan. 22.—The ghosts of the Allen, electrocuted here last March 28, were stalking among the candidates for the Supreme Court Judgeship to succeed Judge J. A. Buchanan, resigned.

Supporters of Judge Walter R. Staples, of Roanoke, who presided over the trials of the Hillville outlaws, on orders from Governor Mann, say they have found a well-defined opposition to their candidate, and all because he presided at the trials of the accused mountaineers.

In taking a poll of the house members Judge Staples' supporters found at least four men who were outspoken in their opposition to him because of his connection with the trials of the hill country men. These supporters were equally outspoken in their condemnation of holding this against Judge Staples "when he simply obeyed the mandate of the chief magistrate of the state."

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THRILLING SCENES AT FIRE IN CAPITAL

Woman and Fireman Drop
From Ladder Resulting
in Injury to Both.

GREAT EXCITEMENT.

Heroic Work of District Fire Fighters—Large Crowds Gather at the Scene of Conflagration.

Washington, Jan. 22.—Losing her balance as she was about to step from a window ledge to a ladder on which Private J. H. Swan, of No. 10 Engine Company, was waiting to carry her to safety from a fire which swept the residence of Thomas H. Sturgis, 530 12th street northeast, this morning, Miss Lottie M. Thomas, 38 years old fell to the ground and carried Swan with her.

Miss Thomas suffered a compound fracture of her left leg, and was badly shaken up and bruised. Swan suffered a sprained ankle.

The fire, which started in the basement from an overheated furnace, had spread to upper stories of the house before it was discovered, and all the occupants were forced to leave in their night clothing.

Miss Grace Sturgis, 19 years old, and Miss Mary Penton, were aided down the ladder by firemen, immediately after Swan and Miss Thomas fell. Mrs. Sturgis and her 13-year-old son Harry, were assisted to the street by Wm. Lynn, a boarder.

The smoke was so thick that Lynn and the firemen found it impossible to get up the stairway and a ladder was raised at the front of the house. Fireman Swan started up the ladder to carry the woman to safety.

Just before he reached the window Miss Thomas stepped from the ledge and tried to get on the ladder. Her foot slipped and she fell on Swan, carrying him to the ground. Other firemen went up the ladder and assisted Miss Sturgis and Miss Penton down.

At Casualty Hospital Dr. King found that Miss Thomas' leg had been broken in two places. Swan's ankle was badly sprained but after having the injury dressed he declined to remain at the hospital.

The fire did \$1,500 damage. Insurance covers the loss.

MAIL SERVICE IN SAHARA.

Flying Machines Will Pass Over One Thousand Miles of Land.

An aerial mail service across one thousand miles of Sahara desert sand is the latest project of French government. It comes as the culminating enterprise of a long series of aerial successes in the last few months.

The new desert mail service by air will not be as simple, however, as are these short distance trips which have long been a regular thing along the Algerian border. The trip will be made in two days, with several stops enroute at stations, which are now being established and stored with food and supplies. The route is being marked out with great stakes set up on the desert floor at distances of ten miles apart.

The service will solve a century-old problem and obviate the terrors of the old desert trip by caravan, which took sometimes four months and was subjected to the perils of heat, thirst, starvation and sand storms.

ADMINISTRATOR'S NOTICE.

Having qualified as administrator of the late Martha Jackson, all persons indebted to said estate are hereby notified to settle said indebtedness with me, and all persons having claims against said estate will present same to me properly verified for payments.

DOUGLASS STUART, Administrator

SNOWDEN.—Departed this life on

Thursday, January 22, 1914, at 1:05 a. m. STACY H., beloved husband of Sarah H. Snowden, at his residence, Snowden, Va., age 83 years. Services at late residence, Saturday, January 24th, at 11 a. m. Interment at Oak Hill cemetery.

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LOCAL BREVITIES.

Mrs. Emma McCuen, has sold to Barbara M. Fremantle, wife of Oswald Fremantle, a house and lot on the east side of Patrick street between Cameron and Queen streets.

At a meeting of Alva Aerie No. 871, Fraternal Order of Eagles, Wednesday night William L. Rammei was elected worthy chaplain.

The dancing committee of Alexandria lodge of Elks will give a masked ball in the Elks' Auditorium on Prince street tonight.

Senator William Campbell, publisher of the Charlestown Free Press, of Charlestown, West Virginia, is spending a few days in Alexandria.

Thomas C. Smith, vice-president of the Alexandria National Bank, left yesterday for Richmond, where he will spend several days.

Mayor Thomas A. Fisher has returned from a week's visit to Brooklyn, New York.

Mr. Dallas Peyton is critically ill at his home in Duke street.

Master Rudolph Norris has returned to his home in Richmond.

Mrs. L. T. Webster is sick at her home in Henry street.

Mrs. Mark Norris who has been ill at her home on Prince street, is improving.

Miss Alice E. Davis, of this city, and Mr. Eugene S. Feagans, of Charlestown, W. Va., were married in Washington, D. C., yesterday by Rev. C. E. Steven.

John Ward, an employee of the Alexandria Opera House, was stricken with paralysis today.

A meeting of Randolph Chapter of the Rose Croix and Lafayette Council of the Knights Kadosh, will meet tonight at 7:30 o'clock in Masonic Temple.

Margaret Nalls has sold to Thomas F. Kelly a house and lot on the west side of Alfred street, between Wolfe and Wilkes.

Miss Mary V. Harlow left today for Baltimore, Md., to visit Miss Florence Murray, and on Saturday evening will attend a dance given by the Baltimore Country Club.

DR. JONES MADE CORONER.

Dr. T. Marshall Jones was today appointed by Judge Louis C. Barley, of the Corporation Court as coroner in Alexandria, in place of Dr. S. B. Moore, who was not a candidate for reappointment. Dr. Jones is one of the oldest and most popular physicians in Alexandria.

ENTERTAINMENT BOY SCOUTS.

Troop No. 1, Boy Scouts of America, have completed the program for the entertainment to be given Friday night in the Westminster building for their building fund. The program will consist of vocal and instrumental solos, a chorus of sixty young ladies, impersonations, magic and ventriloquism act. Following are among those who will take part: Miss F. Kirz, Miss Caroline Kast, Miss Dora Varney, Miss Bertha Bender, Miss Blanche Rotchford, Justin V. Cox, F. Purdy, J. L. Kidwell, M. Solomon.

DEATH OF STACY SNOWDEN.

Stacy H. Snowden, one of the oldest residents of northern Virginia, died at his residence at Snowden's station, Fairfax county, on the electric railway line, between Alexandria and Mount Vernon, and four miles south of this city, this morning at one o'clock. Mr. Snowden had made his residence at that place for 58 years, coming here from Mount Holly, New Jersey. He leaves a widow, and was a brother of the late William H. Snowden. The funeral will take place on Saturday.